

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 494

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jesse Allen Sanders, Jr.,
of Somerville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of
the passing of Jesse Allen Sanders, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sanders was an exemplary public servant and consummate
professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in
numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on June 7, 1925, in Mason, Allen Sanders was the son of Jesse Allen
Sanders and Lena Bailia Sanders; he graduated from Fayette County High School in 1943,
thereafter serving his country valiantly in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 1947, he was joined in holy matrimony with the love of
his life, the former Audrey C. Cole, and they enjoyed more than seventy-three years of
companionship until his death; and

WHEREAS, for the four years after his wedding, Allen Sanders worked at Farmers
Hardware in Somerville; then, in the early 1950s, he purchased the store, which has remained
open since that time; and

WHEREAS, he was also wholly devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to
remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sanders will be mourned yet fondly remembered by his wife, Audrey C.
Sanders; son, John (Linda) Sanders; granddaughters, Angela (Terry) Dycus, Tiffany Sanders,
and Bailia (Adam) Chomyk; and great-grandsons, Ian Dycus and Michael Chomyk; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Michael
Allen Sanders; sister, Ruth Sanders; and brothers, James B. Sanders and Carl H. Sanders; and

WHEREAS, Allen Sanders leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jesse Allen Sanders, Jr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Sanders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.